

Proclamation

by

Steven L. Beshear
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

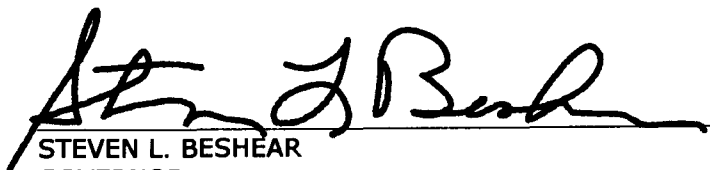
- WHEREAS, Schools make substantial contributions to America's future and to the development of our young people as knowledgeable, responsible and productive citizens; and
- WHEREAS, Excellence in education is dependent on safe, secure and peaceful school settings; and
- WHEREAS, The safety and well-being of many students, teachers and staff are unnecessarily jeopardized by crime and violence in our schools, as evidenced by substance abuse, gangs, bullying, poor discipline, vandalism and absenteeism; and
- WHEREAS, All leaders - especially those in education, law enforcement, government and business - should eagerly collaborate to focus public attention on school safety and to find and promote answers to these critical issues; and
- WHEREAS, Fortunately, many schools and districts around the country, as well as national programs, are among those with innovative answers; and
- WHEREAS, The theme of this year's Kentucky Safe Schools Week, "I Want to Be a School Safety Superhero," aims to build the self-esteem of students and encourages parents, educators and the community to use the character words "strong," "understanding," "powerful," "encouraging" and "respectful" to teach and describe our students; and
- WHEREAS, We urge other groups and localities to formally adopt similar resolutions so that we may enthusiastically work together to make our schools safe, secure and peaceful places for learning, teaching and working free of drugs, alcohol, weapons and fear;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVEN L. BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim October 18-24, 2015 as

SAFE SCHOOLS WEEK

in Kentucky, and urge its observance.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 16th day of October, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fifteen and in the 224th year of the Commonwealth.


STEVEN L. BESHEAR
GOVERNOR


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